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CONVOCATION | 2 P.M. FEBRUARY 21, 2013

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156 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE ■ On February 18, 1857, Governor William Bissell of Illinois signed a bill creating a normal school and establishing the Board of Education of the state of Illinois as its governing body. The bill stipulated that the permanent location would be the place that offered the most favorable inducements. Jesse W. Fell took up the campaign for Bloomington and obtained financial backing totaling \$141,000. Abraham Lincoln, acting as attorney for the board, drew up the bond guaranteeing the Bloomington citizens would fulfill their financial pledges.

Illinois State Normal University was consequently founded as the first public institution of higher education in the state. Established as a teacher education institution, Illinois State has developed into a multipurpose university with degree programs at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels.

The University is one of 12 public universities in Illinois. Its 34 academic departments offer more than 188 fields of study in the Colleges of Applied Science and Technology, Arts and Sciences, Business, Education, and Fine Arts, and the Mennonite College of Nursing. The Graduate School coordinates 39 master's, two specialist, and nine doctoral programs. The University's academic programs are supported by the services and collections of Milner Library, which contains more than 3 million holdings and special collections.

Illinois State is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The teacher-preparation programs are accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education and are certified by the Illinois State Board of Education. The Mennonite College of Nursing is accredited by the National League for Nursing, as well as the North Central Association. In addition, numerous programs hold discipline-based accreditation. The University is also associated with 27 professional agencies, such as the American Psychological Society, the National Association of Schools of Art and Design, and the National Athletic Training Association.

The University enrolls students from throughout Illinois, 49 states, and 67 countries. Students are mentored by faculty members, including numerous teacher-scholars recognized at national and international levels, dedicated to superior teaching.

Conveniently located in Central Illinois, the University is situated at the intersection of three major interstate highways, as well as along the Chicago-St. Louis railroad corridor. Due to its easy access in a region of strong economic growth and its multidimensional profile, Illinois State is able to respond to the varied needs and interests of its constituents and to contribute to the development of its students as responsible citizens.

Convocation program 2 P.M.

BRADEN AUDITORIUM, BONE STUDENT CENTER

Processional

Led by Distinguished Professors

Faculty led by Daniel Holland, chairperson, Academic Senate

"Procession of the Academics," by David Maslanka

Performed by the Illinois State University Wind Symphony

Dan Belongia, conductor

National anthem

Performed by Lydia Brinkmeier

School of Music

Welcome and opening remarks

Al Bowman, president

Presentation of the 2013 Honorary Degree

Presentation of the Distinguished Professor

Sheri Noren Everts, vice president and provost

Presentation of the University Professors

Presentation of the Outstanding University Teachers and Researchers

Presentation of the University Teaching Initiative and Research Initiative Awards

Presentation of the Outstanding University Service Award

Presentation of the Service Initiative Award

Presentation of the Stan and Sandy Rives

Excellence in Undergraduate Education Award

Presentation of the New Outstanding Undergraduate Advisor Award

Presentation of the Herb Sanders Award for

Outstanding Academic Advisement

Erin Minné, vice president for University Advancement

Presentation of the Williams Outstanding Technology Service Award

Presentation of the Neal R. Gamsky Award

Presentation of the David A. Strand Diversity Achievement Award

David A. Strand, president emeritus

Presentation of the Alumni Awards

Greg Ayers, president, Alumni Association Board of Directors

**Presentation of Outstanding University Graduate School
Student Teaching Awards**

Larry Dietz, vice president for Student Affairs

**Recognition of the Council for Teacher Education's
"Realizing the Democratic Ideal"**

Essay and Lesson Plan Competition winners

**Recognition of the Bone, Presidential, and University Scholars,
and Bowman Fellows**

Recognition of the Environmental Stewardship Award recipients

Daniel Layzell, vice president for Finance and Planning

Recognition of the 2012 Team Excellence Award recipients

**Presentation of the Administrative/Professional
and Civil Service Council Awards**

Recognition of employees—Years of service

Presentation of the 2012 Posthumous Honorary Degree

Closing Remarks

Al Bowman

"University Hymn"

Performed by the Illinois State University Symphonic Winds
Led by Lydia Brinkmeier

Recessional

"Procession of the Academics," by David Maslanka
Performed by the Illinois State University Wind Symphony

*There will be a reception at approximately 3:30 p.m. in the Brown Ballroom,
located in the Bone Student Center.*

2013 Honorary Degree

Sean Hayes

Sean Hayes, a former student of voice and acting at Illinois State University, has received critical acclaim for his roles in film, television, and theater, and has become a successful producer. Hayes gained fame as the sarcastic and hilarious Jack Mc-



Farland on NBC's *Will & Grace*, for which he won an Emmy Award and four Screen Actors Guild Awards and received seven Golden Globe nominations.

Hayes has appeared in several films and received rave reviews last year for his depiction of Larry in the comedy *The Three Stooges*. He has also appeared in *Hit and Run*, *The Bucket List*, and *Billy's Hollywood Screen Kiss*. Up next, he will lend his voice to *Monsters University*, the prequel to *Monsters, Inc.*

Hayes' television credits include roles on *Scrubs*, *30 Rock*, and *Martin and Lewis*, and guest appearances on *Parks and Recreation* and *Portlandia*. He currently can be seen in multiple episodes of the NBC sitcom *Up All Night* and the NBC drama *Smash*.

In 2011, Hayes debuted on Broadway in the wildly successful *Promises, Promises*. Hayes received a Tony Award nomination for his starring role. That same year, he also served as the host of the Tony Awards and later received an Emmy for his work as host.

In 2003, Hayes and producing partner Todd Milliner formed Hazy Mills Productions. Their first production, *Situation: Comedy*, a documentary television show in search of the next great sitcom, premiered on Bravo in 2005 and garnered wide critical praise. Hazy Mills is currently producing the fourth season of *Hot in Cleveland*, a scripted comedy for TV Land starring Betty White. Its premiere season generated the highest ratings in the history of TV Land, and the show continues to be one of the top performers on cable television every week. The pair's other productions include the NBC series *Grimm* and a sitcom for NBC that will star Hayes.

Posthumous Honorary Degree

J. Michael Adams '69

J. Michael Adams received a Bachelor of Science from Illinois State University in 1969, a Master of Science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1972, and a Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University Carbondale in 1976. He also received a degree from Harvard Graduate School of Education's institute for educational management program in 1997.



Adams started his academic career at the State University of New York-Oswego, where he became full professor and dean of the Alumni College. He was also a Congressional Fellow for Rep. Carl C. Perkins and served as dean of the Nesbitt College of Design Arts at Drexel University for 15 years.

In July 1999, he became the president of Fairleigh Dickinson University where he launched several innovations, including Public-Mind, an independent survey research group, and the United Nations Pathways program. He also helped the institution gain nongovernmental organization (NGO) status at the United Nations and made Fairleigh Dickinson University the first university in the world to earn "Special Consultative Status" with the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

Adams died June 21, 2012, of acute myeloid leukemia.

Distinguished Professor

The Distinguished Professor appointment, which recognizes outstanding teachers and scholars, is the most prestigious honor that can be earned by a faculty member at Illinois State University.

Roberta Trites

Roberta Trites came to Illinois State University in 1991. She received her doctorate in English from Baylor University. Her career has been notable for scholarship, teaching, and her service to the College of Arts and Sciences and the University.



She was honored with the University Teaching Initiative Award and the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Teaching Award in 1996, and was named Outstanding University Teacher in 2000. She received the College of Arts and Sciences Research Award in 2005 and was named the college's Distinguished Lecturer in 2010. In addition, she has served the college and the University in a variety of leadership roles, including as associate dean and acting dean. She is a teacher, scholar, and citizen of the first order, and richly deserving of the

honor that the Distinguished Professorship represents.

It is apparent from Professor Trites' departmental nomination, and the supporting letters from scholars from the United States and England, that the field of critical analysis of children's literature would look very different today were it not for her work. Her books—*Waking Sleeping Beauty: Feminist Voices in Children's Novels*; *Disturbing the Universe: Power and Repression in Adolescent Literature*; and *Twain, Alcott, and the Birth of the Adolescent Reform Novel*—have not simply been well received by the academic community, but are seen as truly transforming—indeed, reinventing—the field of children's literature studies.

In addition to her outstanding scholarship, Trites shows a consistent dedication to the development of undergraduate and graduate students. In addition to the excellent classroom teaching reflected by her receiving two university teaching awards, she has received a department-level teaching award from Sigma Tau Delta, the English honor society, seven times, including each of the last five years. Her commitment to, and mentoring of, students does not stop at the classroom door, however. She has worked with 50 students, either in independent study or as a director or member of thesis or dissertation committees, and has graduated 13 doctoral students. She is currently working with six doctoral students. In short, she is as indefatigable in her teaching as she is in her research, and she blends the two seamlessly, mentoring her students to excellence in their own careers: Nearly all of her doctoral graduates are now in academic positions at other universities, including one as an endowed chair at the University of South Carolina.

Trites, internationally known in her field, and her accomplishments warrant recognition as a Distinguished Professor.

Past Distinguished Professors

- 2012 James K. Skibo, *Sociology and Anthropology*
- 2011 Paul Garriss, *Biological Sciences*
- 2010 Victor G. Devinatz, *Management and Quantitative Methods*;
and John B. Pryor, *Psychology*
- 2009 Susan Sprecher, *Sociology and Anthropology*
- 2008 Radheshyam Jayaswal, *Biological Sciences*; and Glenn Reeder, *Psychology*
- 2007 Curtis White, *English*
- 2006 Scott Sakaluk, *Biological Sciences*; and John Shields, *English*
- 2005 No appointments made
- 2004 David Borst, *Biological Sciences*; and Rainer Grobe, *Physics*
- 2003 Willard Bohn, *Foreign Languages*
- 2002 Steven Juliano, *Biological Sciences*
- 2001 Richard Stivers, *Sociology*
- 2000 James D. Butler, *Art*; and Timothy D. Lash, *Chemistry*
- 1999 Charles Orser Jr., *Anthropology*
- 1998 Diane R. Urey, *Foreign Languages*;
and Ralph A. Weisheit, *Criminal Justice Sciences*
- 1997 Edward Hines, *Educational Administration and Foundations*;
and Mark Wyman, *History*
- 1996 Lucia Getsi, *English*; and Brian Wilkinson, *Biological Sciences*
- 1995 Laura Berk, *Psychology*;
and Lanny Morreau, *Specialized Educational Development*
- 1994 Roger Anderson, *Biological Sciences*; and Richard Payne, *Political Science*
- 1993 Joel Myers, *Art*; and Douglas West, *Chemistry*
- 1992 Paul Baker, *Educational Administration and Foundations*;
and Carol Thornton, *Mathematics*
- 1991 Frances Anderson, *Art*; and John Freed, *History*
- 1990 Anthony Liberta, *Biological Sciences*; and Rodger Tarr, *English*
- 1989 John Dossey, *Mathematics*; and Thomas Fitch, *Curriculum and Instruction*
- 1988 Harold Gregor, *Art*
- 1987 Ann Nolte, *Health Sciences*; and Cheryl Stevenson, *Chemistry*
- 1986 Rati Ram, *Economics*; and Arlan Richardson, *Chemistry and Biological Sciences*
- 1985 Ray Lewis White, *English*
- 1984 Franzie Loepp, *Industrial Technology*; and Edward Mockford, *Biological Sciences*
- 1983 Roque Cordero, *Music*;
and G. Alan Hickrod, *Educational Administration and Foundations*
- 1982 Herman Brockman, *Biological Sciences*; Edward Schapsmeier, *History*;
and Benjamin Hubbard, *College of Education*

University Professors

The University Professor appointment is made to a faculty member or administrator who holds the rank of full professor and who has achieved national recognition for scholarly research, creative production, or leadership in creative or scholarly activities.

Tim Hunt

Tim Hunt joined the Department of English in 2003. He holds a doctorate in American literature from Cornell University. Hunt's scholarly and creative productivity have brought him national awards and attention in more than one of his subdisciplinary areas. This level of expertise and dedication to scholarship is in itself worthy of recognition, and the depth and breadth of his critical and creative works are impressively daunting to list. However, only occasionally does a body of work come from a scholar in literary studies that affects the entire way the field thinks, and Hunt's works have been hailed as texts that are changing disciplinary thought and practice. With such accomplishments and recognition, Hunt could rest on his theoretical laurels, but his dedication to knowledge-building and his overt exploration of how new ways of scholarship connect to new ways of teaching make him particularly worthy of Illinois State's University Professorship.

Hunt is also an excellent teacher. Students repeatedly comment on how much they appreciate Hunt's intelligence, dry wit, supportiveness, and ability to make classes pertinent to their lives. Typical comments noted that "Dr. Hunt runs an interesting, thought-provoking class. He is beyond helpful in office hours, and presents information in a way that always provides a learning experience. The take-home tests allowed me to really think on subjects rather than regurgitate info, and the readings were always relevant."

Hunt's commitment to scholarship, creative production, and his impact across fields are rare. As a teacher and scholar who has already accomplished that to which most others aspire and whose current work will continue to have an impact on a number of areas in the discipline, Hunt is an outstanding colleague, who has garnered the respect of his peers and is deserving of recognition.

Fred H. Smith

Fred H. Smith joined the Illinois State University faculty in 2008. He holds a doctorate from the University of Michigan. Smith has had a stellar research and teaching career while at the same time serving as an administrator (dean, associate dean, and chair) at three universities over two decades. In addition to his dedication to effective leadership as an administrator, he has distinguished himself in his field of paleoanthropology and in training the next generation of anthropologists. Illinois State is not the first to recognize his standout career. Northern Illinois University recognized Smith as a Distinguished Researcher and a Distinguished Teaching Professor, the only individual at that university to be recognized for both awards.

Smith is internationally recognized for his research on Neandertals and the broader issue of modern human origins. He created the assimilation model, which

is one of the competing models for modern human origins. The assimilation model recognizes Africa as the region of origin for modern humans but argues that when modern populations began to migrate into Eurasia, indigenous archaic peoples, including Neandertals, made small but significant contributions to early modern populations. Although his work has been primarily based on the fossil evidence, recent sequencing of the Neandertal genome has supported the assimilation model, which resulted in the latest discussion of his work in such outlets as *The New York Times*, *Science*, and *Nature*.

Smith has more than 100 peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters and four authored or co-authored books. His work has appeared in the three leading science journals in the world—*Science*, *Nature*, and *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science*—and in the leading outlets for biological anthropology, such as the *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*. Smith's many accomplishments in research, teaching, administration, and service warrant his recognition as a University Professor.

Outstanding University Teachers

Category I

The Outstanding University Teacher Awards, Category I, honor exceptional Illinois State faculty members whose teaching and accomplishments are unusually significant and meritorious among their colleagues at the University and beyond, and who are tenured or in a tenure-track position.

Virginia Teas Gill

Virginia Teas Gill is a professor of sociology in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. She holds a B.A., M.S., and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and began her career as an assistant professor at Illinois State University in 1996. Gill is a medical sociologist whose research focuses on interaction between doctors and patients in a variety of medical settings; currently, she is analyzing interaction between surgeons and breast cancer patients.

Gill has taught at both the graduate and undergraduate levels in formats ranging from small seminars to large lecture-hall courses. She has developed several new courses for the undergraduate sociology program, including Sociological Inquiry, which has become a key element of the core sequence for sociology majors. Over the course of her career, Gill has mentored more than 100 students in independent study and thesis projects, research and teaching assistantships, and internships, and she has served as a faculty advisor for Alpha Kappa Delta and Sociology Club. She has organized teaching workshops and presented on teaching panels at local, national, and international conferences and gives frequent invited lectures, on and off campus.

Gill has received several awards for teaching, including department, college, and university teaching awards, including the 2000–2001 University Teaching Initiative Award and the 2006–2007 Outstanding College Teacher Award. Gill is known as a passionate teacher who challenges her students to think analytically, write clearly, and develop disciplined work habits.

Denise Wilson, Ph.D. '92

Denise Wilson is an associate professor and the family nurse practitioner (FNP) sequence leader for the Mennonite College of Nursing (MCN) at Illinois State University. She received her Bachelor of Science in nursing from Illinois Wesleyan University, her Master of Science in nursing from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and her doctorate in educational administration and foundations from Illinois State University. She completed the family nurse practitioner postgraduate program at the University of Missouri-Columbia. She has been teaching nursing since 1980 and joined Illinois State in 1999 when MCN became the University's sixth college.

Wilson is nationally certified in three advanced practice nursing specialties: family nurse practitioner, adult nurse practitioner, and gerontological nurse practitioner. She also maintains a part-time clinical practice with 13 physicians where she serves as a role model and clinical preceptor for her FNP students.

Wilson has received the MCN Graduate Program Teaching Excellence Award 12 times since 1999, and she earned the Outstanding College Teacher Award from MCN in 2002, and the college's Innovative Teaching Award in 2005. Her textbook, *McGraw-Hill's Manual of Laboratory & Diagnostic Tests*, has been translated into four languages and is used by nurses and nursing students throughout the U.S., Canada, and Europe. Her greatest joy is helping family nurse practitioner students to become the type of health care providers she would want taking care of her family.

Category II

The Outstanding University Teacher Award, Category II, honors exceptional Illinois State University teachers whose teaching accomplishments are unusually significant and meritorious among their colleagues at the University and beyond, but who are not tenured or in a tenure-track position.

Lynn S. Kennell

Lynn S. Kennell is an instructional assistant professor in the Mennonite College of Nursing, where she has been teaching courses in maternal infant nursing, nursing care of children, and cultural and spiritual dimensions in health care, as well as taking students on transcultural experiences in Texas and Chicago's Little Village. Lynn practiced nursing in obstetrics and pediatrics before earning her master's degree in maternal child nursing from Northern Illinois University. She has been passionate about teaching holistic nursing care to students since 1979 and came to Illinois State in 1999.

Kennell has received the Kathleen Hogan Teaching Excellence Award several times. She enjoys narrative pedagogy that engages the students in learning through case studies and interactive discussions to apply nursing theory in planning care for patients and their families. More recently she has focused on researching and developing clinical simulation scenarios for students to foster critical thinking and compassionate care in maternal-child health in our simulation laboratory. Kennell supervises students in three area hospitals and enjoys seeing students evolve in their professional nursing development in the clinical setting.

Kennell is presently working on establishing a new transcultural elective for nursing students in Londrina, Brazil. She has had several articles published in the journal *Nurse Educator*. She is committed to maintaining relationships with alums and continuing to challenge them to value lifelong learning and advocacy for their patients and families.

Outstanding University Researchers

The Outstanding University Researcher Awards recognize faculty whose research is acknowledged at the national or international level for its quality and contribution to the profession or discipline.

Rachel Bowden

Rachel Bowden came to Illinois State University in 2003 after earning her doctorate at Indiana University in 2001 and a postdoctoral assignment at Iowa State University. She obtained tenure and was promoted to associate professor of ecological physiology in 2009. As her thorough and focused research statement attests, her interests center on three programs of inquiry: steroid hormones, sex determination, and early embryonic development; incubation environment; and ecoimmunology.

During her time at Illinois State she has published 31 peer-reviewed journal articles with another three in press and several manuscripts in development. She has received several external grants, including four from the National Science Foundation (NSF). School of Biological Sciences Director Craig Gatto noted that her productivity has actually accelerated significantly since she received tenure and promotion: "Receiving promotion and tenure did not diminish Rachel's enthusiasm in the least as evidenced by her continued pursuit to garner extramural funding whilst maintaining one of the most robust publication rates in the school. Thus, last year she once again was awarded an NSF grant (\$300,000) for her work."

The quality and number of her publications, the amount and frequency of external grant funding, her countless distinctions, and the importance of her research program to the advancement of science are all reasons Bowden received the Outstanding University Researcher Award.

Steven Taylor

Steven Taylor has been a faculty member in the Marketing Department at Illinois State University for 20 years. His work can be split into three streams of inquiry: the explanation of customers' behavioral intentions at various levels of loyalty, digital piracy, and marketing pedagogy. His work supports the notion that quality of education should be related to critical thinking and intellectual development as well as student satisfaction. Taylor often engages students in real-world research and special projects leading to presentations with external clients as well as research colloquiums.

Taylor's work has been published in some of marketing's best journals and his scholarly record to date includes 45 refereed journal articles, three invited or refer-

eed book chapters, international workshops for industry practitioners, 17 refereed proceedings, and grant projects totaling more than \$110,000. He serves on two editorial review boards of significant service marketing journals and twice has been recognized as an outstanding reviewer for the *Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science* and the *Journal of Service Research*. He has been a co-editor of the *Journal of Consumer Satisfaction, Dissatisfaction and Complaining Behavior* for many years.

Previously, Taylor has won the College of Business Teaching Award, has been recognized twice as the College of Business Outstanding Researcher, and received the inaugural Hobart and Marian Gardner Hinderliter Endowed Professorship at Illinois State.

University Teaching Initiative Awards

The University Teaching Initiative Awards are presented to faculty who, within their first five years at Illinois State, have exhibited considerable promise in teaching early in their academic careers.

Jennifer Banning

Jennifer Banning is an assistant professor in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) at Illinois State University. She earned B.S. degrees in apparel design and FCS education from Southern Illinois University Carbondale and taught high school FCS courses in Illinois and Texas before earning her Ph.D. in fashion history at Louisiana State University. Banning started her career at Illinois State in 2007 as an instructional assistant professor; in 2008 she became a tenure-track assistant professor.

Banning's responsibilities have included serving as the FCS teacher education program coordinator, instructing FCS teaching methodology and fashion history courses, supervising teacher candidates during student teaching, and overseeing the Lois Jett Historic Costume Collection. She has also taught courses in textile science, apparel product analysis, resource management, and supervised numerous independent studies in teacher education and museum practices.

Banning is enthusiastic about finding relevant ways to teach course content to students. She used the cooperative learning method, team-based learning, to transform her fashion history course from a traditional lecture-and-exam approach to one that features teams of students collaborating to solve real-world challenges throughout the semester. Making sure all students are ready to transition to their new careers after graduation from the University motivates Banning to continually reflect on and improve her teaching practices. Therefore, secondary education classroom teachers influence FCS methods courses each year as student-teaching feedback results in new course assignments and activities.

Daniel Breyer

Daniel Breyer is an assistant professor of philosophy and the director of the religious studies minor. Breyer earned a B.A. in classics from the University of Montana, an M.A. in liberal arts from St. John's College, and a Ph.D. in philosophy from Fordham University. He came to Illinois State University in 2008.

Breyer's research centers on epistemology. He has published articles on reflective luck, epistemic justification, belief ownership, and cognitive agency. Philosophers have discussed his work on these topics in journals such as *Philosophical Psychology* and *Acta Analytica*. In 2009, Breyer had the honor of presenting an invited paper on reflective luck and belief ownership at the prestigious Bled Philosophical Conference in Bled, Slovenia. In addition to his interests in epistemology, he has research projects in moral psychology, philosophy of religion, and Buddhist philosophy.

As a teacher, Breyer focuses on helping students learn to read, write, and think carefully, critically, and creatively, while exposing students to important ideas, arguments, and questions in a friendly atmosphere. He regularly teaches courses on the history of philosophy, including courses on ancient Greek philosophy, Christian philosophy, Indian philosophy, and Buddhist philosophy. He also frequently teaches courses on topics in moral psychology and philosophy of religion. In recognition of his teaching excellence, the College of Arts and Sciences awarded him one of two inaugural Kenneth A. and Mary Ann Shaw Teaching Fellowships in 2012.

Rose Marshack

Rose Marshack is an assistant professor of arts technology and music business at Illinois State University. She holds an M.F.A. in new media and B.S. degrees in math and computer science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. A classically-trained musician, Marshack spent two decades performing original music throughout the U.S. and Europe with her bands Poster Children and Salaryman. Together with her partner, Rick Valentin, an assistant professor of arts technology at Illinois State, she has released 13 albums and a DVD on various independent and major record labels. Marshack is known as a pioneer in facilitating audience participation through technology, creating some of the first websites, enhanced CDs, blogs, and podcasts to foster communication between independent music fans worldwide. She is very interested in how asynchronous digital communication can benefit human interaction and understanding.

Before coming to Illinois State, Marshack did research in landscape architecture, urban planning, data visualization, immersive reality, social networking, digital communication, and digital archives, and was a coordinator for interdisciplinary art and technology projects at the University of Illinois. At Illinois State University, she delights in being able to teach courses that touch upon her favorite subjects: augmented reality, play, participation, code, sustainability, communication, environment, art and design, the music business, and computer programming. She is also the advisor for the Music Business Organization, a registered student organization that recently launched the Stu Records label and The Vault recording studio.

Jennifer M. Tobias

Jennifer M. Tobias is an assistant professor of mathematics education in the Mathematics Department. She received her B.S., Ed.M., and M.S. from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and a Ph.D. from the University of Central Florida. Since starting at Illinois State in 2009, she has taught several undergraduate and graduate courses in mathematics education, served on dissertation committees, and chaired undergraduate honors and master's projects.

Tobias' research focuses on her teaching and the ways that students develop an understanding of the mathematics they are to teach. She has published several research and practitioner papers on teaching mathematics. Tobias thinks that teachers should be not just teachers, but lifelong teacher-scholars who coordinate experiences from inside the classroom with scholarly activities outside the classroom to better understand student thinking and to improve teaching methods. She frequently takes her classes to local elementary and middle schools so that students can gain an understanding of the diverse ways in which children think and gives her students the opportunity to develop and refine their own teaching practices before formally teaching in a whole classroom. When teaching current and future teachers, her goal is to provide students with enough foundational knowledge that they can continue to grow once they leave her classroom and enter their own.

Monica Cousins Noraian, Ph.D. '07

Monica Cousins Noraian, an assistant professor and the director of the history-social sciences education program in the Department of History at Illinois State University, earned her B.A. from American University, her Ed.M. from Harvard University, and her Ph.D. from Illinois State University. Prior to coming to Illinois State University, Noraian was a high school history-social sciences teacher in the Chicago area. As a result, she brought many years of experience in the secondary school classroom when, in 1998, she began working at Illinois State University as an advisor, university supervisor, and instructor in the History Department. She won the Outstanding University Teaching Award, Category II, in 2002–2003.

Noraian became a tenure-track faculty member in 2008 and now teaches a variety of courses, including the Methodology of Teaching History and the Social Sciences I & II; the History of American Education; and Germany and the Rise of Hitler. Her 2009 book, *Women's Rights, Racial Integration, and Education from 1850–1920: The Case of Sarah Raymond, the First Female Superintendent*, is evidence of her interest in local history, pedagogy, and educational leadership. She organizes professional development opportunities for teachers and students by hosting large conferences and facilitating outstanding speakers, most recently Oliver Stone and Peter Kuznick. She is active in the larger community, which is evident by her receiving the McLean County YWCA Woman of Distinction Award, Education Category, in 2010. Noraian received the University Service Initiative Award for 2010–2011.

University Research Initiative Awards

The University Research Initiative Awards are presented to faculty who, within their first five years at Illinois State, have initiated a promising research agenda early in their academic careers.

Kelly Laurson

Kelly Laurson is an assistant professor of exercise science in the School of Kinesiology and Recreation. He began his career at Illinois State after completing his Ph.D. at Iowa State University where he studied the biological basis of physical activity and completed his dissertation, "Designing and Evaluating Clinical Cutpoints for Childhood Obesity."

Laurson has published 15 refereed manuscripts, which were focused primarily on variables associated with youth physical fitness and inactivity and how these two variables relate to cardiovascular and metabolic disorders among youth. His work has been published in the *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, *Journal of Investigative Medicine*, *Diabetology & Metabolic Syndrome*, *Journal of Pediatrics*, and *Research Quarterly for Exercise and Sport*. He also has 15 published abstracts and has given more than 25 presentations at the state, regional, national, and international levels.

Laurson has also received external funding for five of his research projects and serves as an ad hoc reviewer for 17 respected journals in his discipline. He is an effective teacher of undergraduate and graduate students in Kinesiology and Recreation, and he routinely uses his research to inform and guide his teaching. He has also served on or chaired 15 graduate student committees and has guided a number of undergraduate research and honors independent study projects at Illinois State.

Maochao Xu

Maochao Xu joined Illinois State University's faculty in 2010 after earning his Ph.D. from Portland State University. His research focuses on actuarial risk analysis, applied probability, network security, reliability theory, and stochastic dependence. Since 2010 he has published 14 peer-reviewed journal articles and four chapters in scholarly books. On top of this, he had a long record of publication before joining Illinois State.

Department of Mathematics Chair George Seelinger provided supporting context for Xu's high rate of publication: "While I have observed that statisticians tend to publish at a higher rate than those in other areas in the mathematical sciences, Dr. Xu's rate of publication is still extremely high given his experience. At this rate of publication, one might question the quality of the journals he is publishing in, but when we look at this list of publications, they are in top journals such as the *Journal of Multivariate Analysis*, *Journal of Applied Probability*, and *Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference*." It is both the impressive number and high quality of publications that makes Xu exceptionally deserving of the Research Initiative Award.

Sheryl Jenkins '81, '93, Ph.D. '05

Sheryl Jenkins earned her B.S.N. from the Mennonite College of Nursing, her M.S.N. from the University of Illinois-Chicago, and her Ph.D. in educational administration and foundations from Illinois State University. She began working at the Mennonite College of Nursing in 2005. She is a nationally recognized researcher, an accomplished teacher, and an advocate for the poor and homeless. She has been a nurse since 1977 and is a board-certified acute care nurse practitioner. Jenkins conducts research in two important areas that contribute to the quality and safety of patient care: activating the rapid response team and civility.

Thousands of people die every year, in part, because nurses may be unsure about when to activate the rapid response team. Jenkins, her faculty, and student colleagues are studying this problem to develop interventions and training programs that will better prepare nurses to initiate the rapid response team. Jenkins leads a similar team in the study of nursing-student civility and integrity, qualities essential for ensuring patients get the best nursing care.

Since her appointment, Jenkins has published 10 papers in national and international peer-reviewed journals and has given 10 peer-reviewed presentations at national or regional conferences. She has received external funding and Illinois State University has recognized her work through the Grant Writing Initiative Award and the Grant Writing Mentorship Award. Jenkins received the 2012 Graduate Program Teaching Excellence Award from the Mennonite College of Nursing and leads community initiatives serving the poor and homeless.

Paul Nolen

Paul Nolen currently serves as assistant professor of saxophone at Illinois State University. Nolen earned D.M.A. and M.M. degrees in performance from the College of Music at Michigan State University and a B.M. from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Nolen has appeared as a soloist, chamber musician, and jazz artist throughout the United States, Canada, and the U.K. Moving easily between genres, he has appeared with diverse groups such as the Illinois Symphony Orchestra, the Rasa Saxophone Quartet, the Folia Tango Ensemble, the Illinois Jazz Train Orchestra, and the Illinois State Faculty Jazz Quartet.

Known for his vibrant and passionate teaching, Nolen is in demand throughout the U.S. and abroad as an educator. He recently attended the 2008 Aberystwyth International Musicfest in Wales as a performer, teacher, and conductor of the Musicfest Jazz Orchestra. He also served as the saxophone clinician for the 2008 Music For All National Honor's Band Festival in Indianapolis and has presented recent classes at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Conservatory, the University of New Mexico, and the Brevard Music Festival in North Carolina. As a soprano saxophonist with the Rasa Saxophone Quartet, he won first prize in the 2003 Music Teachers National Association's national chamber music competition and was a semifinalist in the 2004 Concert Artist Guild International Competition in New York City. As a soloist he was awarded first prize in the 2003 Lansing Matinee Musicales woodwind competition.

Stacy Kelly '03

Stacy Kelly is an assistant professor and program coordinator for the Special Education Department's low vision and blindness program. Prior to joining the faculty at Illinois State University in 2009, Kelly was a National Center for Leadership in Visual Impairment Doctoral Fellow. Kelly earned her doctorate at Northern Illinois University in 2008. Kelly started her career by pursuing an undergraduate degree in special education with an emphasis on low vision and blindness at Illinois State University. Kelly taught students who were blind or visually impaired as a certified teacher of the visually impaired. She is also a certified orientation and mobility specialist and a certified school administrator.

Kelly's research inquiries include blindness and low vision specific assistive technology, the education of children with visual impairments, orientation and mobility, and quantitative research methodologies. In the past three years, she has published nine peer-reviewed articles, two practitioner-focused articles, one book review, four national position papers, and two book chapters. In 2011 she served as guest editor of the *Division on Visual Impairments Quarterly* for a special issue that focused on assistive technology.

Kelly has been serving as a policy research consultant with the American Foundation for the Blind since 2009. In addition, Illinois State's low vision and blindness program has been revised in the last three years to include an extensive emphasis on assistive technology training, a model for other programs across the country.

Michael Luis Dougherty

Michael Luis Dougherty, an assistant professor of sociology, joined Illinois State University in 2011 after earning his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His research focuses on sustainability, natural resources, rural livelihoods, and community development in the context of globalization. Since arriving at Illinois State he has six peer-reviewed articles or book chapters and edited a book due this academic year. He had an additional four publications prior to his arrival. He has been an invited and honored speaker at several institutions. Moreover, his seven grants in a notoriously underfunded discipline also set him apart as a new scholar.

Department of Sociology and Anthropology Chair Fred Smith pointed with pride to Dougherty's research acumen, but also offered caution: "He is obviously a talented and motivated researcher, and our department is very fortunate and pleased to have him. From my perspective as chair, Dr. Dougherty is an emerging star in environmental sociology. Our biggest task may be to keep him." Given the emergence of environmental studies in general and the social effects of environmental concerns in particular, Illinois State is fortunate to have retained Dougherty as a faculty member.

Dan Ispas

Dan Ispas, an assistant professor of psychology, joined Illinois State University's faculty in 2010 after completing his doctorate at the University of South Florida. His research focuses primarily on job performance and personnel selection within the industrial-organizational psychology subfield. In his two years with Illinois State

he has produced 10 peer-reviewed journal articles and another two book chapters in peer-reviewed, scholarly books. His great number of publications and presentations achieved before joining Illinois State is evidence of an ongoing commitment to being a top-performing scholar in his discipline. He has another 11 manuscripts under review and six more projects in development. In short, he is at the beginning of what will likely be a very dynamic career.

With this level of productivity, it is not surprising that Ispas has earned international attention and respect. He is senior editor of *Europe's Journal of Psychology* and serves on the board of the *Journal of Business and Psychology*. He also reviews for four other top-tier journals. Illinois State can be proud to have an assistant professor of such international stature. As his industry experience attests (most notably his time with Proctor & Gamble), Ispas is now that rare scholar whose research is informed by a firsthand appreciation for the challenges faced by industrial-organizational executives.

Outstanding University Service Award

The Outstanding University Service Award is given to faculty members whose service to Illinois State University is unusually significant and meritorious. Service is a central component of Illinois State's mission and governance.

R. K. Jayaswal

SCHOOL OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Service Initiative Award

The Service Initiative Award is given to faculty members who, early in their academic careers, have shown considerable promise in service to the University. Up to seven tenured or tenure-track faculty members per year with five or less years of service to Illinois State University receive the award.

Thomas McClure

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

Stan and Sandy Rives Excellence in Undergraduate Education Award

The Stan and Sandy Rives Excellence in Undergraduate Education Award recognizes outstanding teaching or a significant contribution to the undergraduate experience, with special attention given to the first-year experience.

Sally Parry

As the long-serving undergraduate advisor in the Department of English, Sally Parry received the Herb Sanders Award for Outstanding Academic Advisement in 1994, an award that recognized her "intrusive" student-centered advising and reflected the respect of her fellow advisors.

Parry's most significant contributions have been during her tenure as associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and director of the general education program. For six years she has provided leadership to general education, coordinating course scheduling through close collaboration with University College and academic departments, allocating close to a million dollars annually to the instructional budget and working with the Council on General Education as part of shared governance.

Specifically in work for first-year students, Parry has chaired the critical inquiry group that brings together faculty from the School of Communication, the English Department, and Milner Library to ensure that incoming freshmen have a coherent yearlong course of study focusing on critical thinking and oral and written communication. Recognized by the General Education Task Force in its recent review, this group will serve as a model for additional groups of faculty to come together periodically to assess learning outcomes in other areas of general education.

One of Parry's contributions to undergraduate education is to further the cause of transfer students at Illinois State, recognizing that transfer students in their first semester at Illinois State are also first-year students.

New Outstanding Undergraduate Advisor Award

The Outstanding New Undergraduate Advisor Award was established by the Academic Advising Council to recognize an academic advisor, new to the profession, who provides excellent academic advising and exhibits leadership skills in the profession. Examples of activities to be considered include, but are not limited to, advising on course selection, researching, and helping students with their choice of major/minor, long-term career goals, and personal development.

Elizabeth Chupp '05, M.S. '09

Elizabeth Chupp began her advising career in the School of Communication at Illinois State University in March 2011. After earning her B.S. in public relations from ISU and working in the corporate sector for a couple of years, Chupp returned to Illinois State to pursue a career in higher education by earning her M.S. in communication. While serving as a graduate teaching assistant, she discovered her true passion for working with students. In her current advising role, she primarily advises public relations and mass media majors. In addition, she teaches courses in the School of Communication.

Chupp views students and advisors as a team in the educational planning process. She enjoys working individually with students to build relationships and help them create a path to achieving their academic and professional goals. With this in mind, she has worked hard to better connect with students through various technological media. These connections help the School of Communication reach out to students at their own level.

Chupp has become active in the Professional Development and Training Committee through the Academic Advising Council and will serve as co-chair of

the committee in 2013. She also joined the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) and the Illinois Academic Advising Association (ILACADA) and attended ILACADA's inaugural conference in May 2012. Chupp looks forward to growing in her role as an academic advisor and helping future generations of Redbirds succeed.

Herb Sanders Award for Outstanding Academic Advisement

The Herb Sanders Award for Outstanding Academic Advisement recognizes advisors who demonstrate caring attitudes for students, who are assertive in their contacts with students, and who support campuswide academic advisement.

Ryan Gray '97, M.S.Ed. '00

Ryan Gray began advising in the English Department in 2007. He had begun his advising career at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. In 2005, he became the coordinator for the Illinois Articulation Initiative. This gave him valuable experience working with advisors, admissions representatives, and faculty from more than 120 institutions throughout Illinois. It also allowed him to see how higher education in Illinois works from a statewide policy perspective.

Gray was recently elected as a department and school representative on the Academic Advising Council (AAC) and has served on the AAC Technology Committee since 2007 and the AAC Assessment Committee since last year. This past semester, he has worked with the LEAP Forward project, providing input from an advising perspective for the new student information system. He also teaches two sections of English 102, an introductory course for English majors focusing on career exploration and academic success.

He has been a member of the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) for 13 years, and he also serves on the leadership committee for the Illinois Academic Advising Association. Being a technology enthusiast, throughout all of his professional positions, he has integrated technology into the advising process.

Williams Outstanding Technology Service Award

The Williams Outstanding Technology Service Award recognizes an academic professional or civil service staff member who has made an outstanding contribution to the University in the area of technology and service.

Majeed Abu-Qulbain '04

Majeed Abu-Qulbain has worked at Illinois State for 12 years in Computer Infrastructure Support. He started as a student in the University Computer Help Desk and now works as the UNIX Systems Team Lead. He earned his undergraduate degree from the School of Information Technology (IT) in telecommunications

management at Illinois State in 2004. In his current position Abu-Qulbain is responsible for the performance of enterprise-level systems, including email, ULID accounts, the University Web systems, ReggieNet, Listserv, blogs, and My Illinois State. Abu-Qulbain has also been a key resource for the iPeople Project and the ReggieNet Course Management System Transition Project.

Abu-Qulbain's work is well-received by staff and faculty. According to one of his supporters, he is "regarded by the IT staff as the de facto technical expert on a number of (technology) subjects and is in great demand for projects and technical committees" and is considered indispensable as the UNIX Systems Team Lead. Another nominator wrote that "Majeed has in abundance a skill I have found very rarely among technical staff; the ability to understand very technical subjects and translate them into plain English for nontechnical people." These communication skills were mentioned by all of his supporters.

Members of the award selection committee were struck by the fact that each of the reviewers used the word "tireless" to describe his technical and communication efforts on several different enterprisewide projects.

Neal R. Gamsky Award

The Neal R. Gamsky Award honors a staff member in the Division of Student Affairs who has made outstanding contributions to the quality of life for students at Illinois State University.

Jason Vasquez

Jason Vasquez joined Student Counseling Services at Illinois State University in 2008 as a predoctoral intern and later as a full-time staff psychologist. Vasquez holds a B.A. in psychology from California State University-Long Beach, an M.A. in psychology from California State University-Los Angeles, and a Ph.D. in counseling psychology from New Mexico State University.

Vasquez is a generalist who does individual counseling, group counseling, couples counseling, crisis intervention, outreach and prevention, and assessment. Vasquez also has a passion for diversity and multiculturalism that is reflected in his work within Student Counseling Services and the University as a whole. For the past two years, he has served as one of the diversity coordinators within his department. As the diversity coordinator, Vasquez has co-chaired the multicultural outreach team, led the diversity seminar, and helped create a diversity dialogue program called Voices of Discovery. Last year, he was appointed to serve as co-chair of the Division of Student Affairs Diversity Council. He is also a co-advisor for LOBOS (Leadership Organization for Brotherhood, Outreach, and Success), which is a registered student organization dedicated to meeting the needs of historically underrepresented male college students. Vasquez is currently the president of the Organization of Latino Employees (OLE) on campus. He has also served on a variety of campuswide committees, including the President's Diversity Task Force and the Student Affairs Diversity Task Force.

Vasquez is a licensed clinical psychologist in the state of Illinois. He is also a member of the American Psychological Association, Illinois Psychological Associa-

tion, and the National Latina/o Psychological Association. He has co-authored book chapters and is currently on the editorial board for the *Journal of Latino Psychology*.

David A. Strand

Diversity Achievement Award

The David A. Strand Diversity Achievement Award honors faculty or staff members who have made extraordinary contributions to curricula or programs that help Illinois State University respond to its commitment to diversity.

Touré Reed

Touré Reed is an associate professor of U.S. and African-American history in the Department of History, where he enthusiastically teaches courses that explore the topics of race, ethnicity, and gender. He has twice received recognition for his teaching excellence by winning the Outstanding Faculty Award of the Dean of Students (2007 and 2011) and the University Teaching Initiative Award (2005–2006). Through his research agenda, Reed has promoted a greater understanding of diversity. His book, *Not Alms But Opportunity: The Urban League and the Politics of Racial Uplift, 1910–1950*, and his co-authored book, *Renewing Black Intellectual History: The Ideological and Material Foundations of African American Thought*, resulted in Reed conducting numerous conference presentations, radio broadcasts, and television appearances.

In 2009, Reed was selected by President Al Bowman to chair the University Diversity Task Force that conducted a comprehensive campus climate assessment of diversity and inclusion. As a result of his efforts, Reed was named chair of the editorial committee for the monthly online newsletter *Identity: Valuing Our Diversity*, which received national recognition by winning the 2011 Clarion Award from the Association for Women in Communications.

In the summers of 2010 and 2011, Reed garnered a prestigious Kluge Post-doctoral Fellowship at the Library of Congress to conduct research on his next book project, *New Deal Civil Rights: Class Politics and the Quest for Racial Equality, 1933–1948*. As part of the fellowship, he delivered an invited talk at the Library of Congress, “Industrial Democracy and the Civil Rights Establishment of the 1930s.”

Reed earned a B.A. in American studies from Hampshire College and an M.A., M.Phil., and Ph.D. in history from Columbia University.

Alumni Awards

Outstanding Young Alumni Award

Adam Kinzinger '00

As a sophomore studying politics and government at Illinois State University, Adam Kinzinger challenged an incumbent for the McLean County Board in 1998 and won, becoming one of the youngest board members in the county's history.

After leaving the board in 2003, Kinzinger enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. Commissioned as a second lieutenant, he earned his pilot wings and currently serves as a pilot in the U.S. Air Force Reserves with the rank of major.

During his military service, he earned the Air Medal six times while serving in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. He also received the National Guard's Valley Forge Cross for Heroism and was selected as the Southeastern Wisconsin American Red Cross Hero of the Year for saving the life of a young woman.

Elected to the House of Representatives in 2010, Kinzinger is on the Energy and Commerce Committee and was named to the House Majority Transition Team just days after he was elected. One of the youngest members of Congress, he was listed in *TIME* magazine's "40 under 40: Rising Stars in American Politics."

Alumni Achievement Award

David E. Wildt '72

Since studying animal sciences at Illinois State, David Wildt has built a career as a reproductive biologist who specializes in the study and rescue of endangered species. Among his most significant accomplishments has been his partnerships with Chinese colleagues to bring the giant panda back from the edge of extinction.

Wildt completed master's and doctoral degrees at Michigan State University. He conducted research at the Baylor College of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health before working at the Conservation Biology Institute, a part of the Smithsonian's National Zoological Park.

He manages the endangered animal collection at the Institute's 3,200-acre wildlife facility in Front Royal, Virginia, while leading a team that studies diverse species—from coral to elephants. While his research is centered on reproduction, he partners across disciplines in basic and applied research to discover and to implement better ways to create and to manage sustainable populations of rare species.

His cutting-edge work in reproductive biology and species survival has been shared in more than 300 peer-reviewed publications and 56 book chapters that span more than 50 vertebrate species. His advice and expertise are sought throughout the United States and the world.

E. Burton Mercier Alumni Service Award

Michael G. Matejka '74 and Kari Sandhaas '81, '83

Michael Matejka and Kari Sandhaas, husband and wife, met at Illinois State. He studied history and philosophy while she completed degrees in art and art teacher education.

Now with the Laborers' International Union, Matejka works to improve employment conditions. He edits *The Grand Prairie Union News* and has authored two books. Matejka serves on numerous local boards and spent 18 years on the Bloomington City Council.

Sandhaas designs leadership training at COUNTRY Financial and is the 2012 recipient of the company's Community Service Award. She previously served as

creative director for an international education nonprofit and a consulting firm, where she pioneered early Web-based training programs. Co-author of two books, she serves as the president of the Ecology Action Center board, vice president of the Autism Society of McLean County (ASMC), and marketing co-chair of the Multicultural Leadership Program.

Sandhaas and Matejka have a daughter, Loretta A. Santejka '07, with Asperger's syndrome. They helped start ASMC employment awareness programs, such as Diversity's Missing Piece, to open employment opportunities for adults with autism. They also help coordinate the Children's Christmas Party for Unemployed Families. This annual holiday event entertains 400 low-income children in the community.

Senator John W. Maitland Jr. Commitment to Education Award

Dan Brady

Dan Brady studied politics and business at St. Ambrose University, graduating with a bachelor's degree. He is a partner in the funeral home firm Kibler-Brady-Ruestman Memorial Home in Bloomington, where he works as a funeral director. He is also a dedicated public servant and staunch supporter of the University.

Brady has served as an Illinois legislator for 12 years. He was named to the House Republican Leadership team in 2003 as Republican Caucus chair. In 2008 he was named assistant minority leader. Prior to serving at the Statehouse, Brady was twice elected as McLean County coroner in the 1990s.

Brady's legislative efforts have focused primarily on issues tied to insurance, higher education, law enforcement, and emergency medical services. He championed legislation to help local law enforcement agencies better respond to calls involving individuals with special needs.

Currently serving on many boards, Brady has received numerous accolades for his legislative work and recognition for his efforts to strengthen communities. Among the awards he has received are the Friend of Agriculture Award from the Illinois Farm Bureau, the Champion of Free Enterprise honor from the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, and the Legislative Hero Award from the Illinois State Alliance of YMCAs.

Distinguished Alumni Award

James M. Gentile, M.S. '70, Ph.D. '74

James M. Gentile spent two years in postdoctoral studies in the Department of Human Genetics at the Yale School of Medicine after completing two graduate degrees at Illinois State. For nearly 30 years, he held an endowed chair in biology and served as the dean for the natural sciences at Hope College in Holland, Michigan.

He acquired his current position in January 2005. In addition to leading the Research Corporation, he holds adjunct professorships at the University of Arizona in the Department of Chemistry and at Hope College in the Department of Biology.

Gentile's research programs focus on plant-activation of environmental carcinogens and the connection between inflammation and cancer. His results have been published in more than 100 articles, book chapters, and book reviews. He has also authored special reports in scientific research and higher education. Gentile currently writes opinions on science and science education for *The Huffington Post* and several magazines.

He has received numerous national and international awards, including the Alexander Hollaender Research Excellence Award from the Environmental Mutagen Society and the Cancer Research Medallion from the National Cancer Institute in Japan. He was named Humanitarian of the Year by the Educational Enrichment Foundation in 2012. He is a member of numerous boards, including those for the University of Arizona College of Science, Biosphere2, the Arizona Cancer Institute and CuresNow in Los Angeles.

Gentile's involvement with Illinois State remains strong. Aside from speaking engagements on campus, he was awarded the Alumni Achievement Award in 1995. He was inducted into the University's College of Arts and Sciences Hall of Fame in February 2008, along with his wife, Glenda (Hill) '73.

Outstanding University Graduate School Student Teaching Awards

The Outstanding University Graduate Student Teaching Awards recognize outstanding contributions to teaching made by graduate students as part of their programs and educational experiences at Illinois State University.

Anna M. Wright '10

Anna M. Wright is a graduate student in the School of Communication at Illinois State University. She earned her bachelor's degree at Illinois State in communication education in 2010 after student-teaching and coaching the speech team at Central Catholic High School.

Wright currently teaches Communication as Critical Inquiry at Illinois State. Additionally, she assists with the communication education program by guest lecturing, course planning, and evaluating student teachers. Wright's research interests include instructional communication, communication pedagogy, and social emotional learning. Her thesis focused on the communication between students with accommodations and their university professors. Wright serves as a peer mentor for fellow graduate students and volunteers in various departmental activities.

Outside of Illinois State, she continues to coach the Central Catholic speech team, she is the secretary of the Illinois Communication and Theatre Association, and is a member of the Central States Communication Association and the National Communication Association, where she is the past chair of the Elementary and Secondary Education Division and serves on the Legislative Assembly.

Council for Teacher Education's "Realizing the Democratic Ideal" Essay and Lesson Plan Competition

Kayley Pyne

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Tabitha Visk

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

Samantha Shimanek

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Bone, Presidential, and University Scholars, and Bowman Fellows

Bone Scholars

Ethan Boldt
Ashley Brown
August Cassens
Mark Donahue
Danielle Froehlich
Kesav Gandham
Jenna Grites
Michael Kaschke
Megan Lawler
Maggie Leonard
Caleb Malik
Nancy O'Neill
Daniel Rosen
Katherine Wolf

Ashley Brown
Emily Brutton
Kelsey Bunner
Emma Byall
Sarah Caputo
Jessica Carroll
Melanie Chwee
Amanda Clement
Celeste Cler
Stacie Cler
Blake Doane
Ashley Dolce
Dale Domnick Jr.
Mark Donahue
Kara Esker
Kristen Faucon
Jennifer Ficek
Teresa Finegan
Thomas Fitzgerald
Claire Ford
Kent Franklin
Alec Gramm
Anthony Greer
Sebastian Grobe
Mary Hansen
Nichelle Harrison
Joseph Hawrysz
Nathan Hopper
Adrianne Howe

Samantha Huffman
Daniel Hughes
Jennifer Hughes
Edward Hurd
Abigail Ildefonso
Katherine Jean
Elora Karim
Jamie Kennett
Jennifer Krick
Kayleigh Legno
Maggie Leonard
Patrick Littell
Keegan MacDonna
Jonathon Malone
Tyler Malone
Chelsea Maxwell
Elizabeth Mayberry
Justine McCann
Matthew McCue
David McGill
Felicia McGuinn
Sidney Megeff
Karissa Neihouser
Brandon Nelson
Logan Nelson
Daniel Norman
Samantha Norris
Nancy O'Neill
Kathryn Opperman

Karina Palukaitis
Bradley Panzarella
Jamie Pawlowski
Gina Paxson
Michele Perchess
Gabriela Radanova
Jamie Rasmussen
Sean Riordan
Jordan Romager
Emma Roth
Lily Rutherford
Kelly Schick
Kelsey Schluntz
Aaron Schmitt
Pamela Schuett
Danielle Schumacher
Kathryn Schutte
James Shellie Jr.
Kaitlin Shoukry
Sarah Skibo
Jodi Slagel
Collin Snyder
Emaline Stendback
Brandon Stevens
Jeanette Stoller
Nicole Swanson
Madeline Totten
Rachel Varney
Tiffanie Verbeke

Presidential Scholars

Ruth Allen
Caleb Augspurger
Kyle Barshinger
Kathleen Becker
Michelle Benda
Katherine Blas
Alexandra Boldt
Emily Bollin
Sarah Bollinger
Adrienne Boni
Connor Brennan
Molly Briggs

Leah Waibel
Matthew Ware
Maggie Watts
Mallory Webber
Matthew Weber
Megan Welch
Rachel White
Jeffrey Wright
Sarah Wysock
Tyler Yonke
Rebecca Yount
Emma Zimmerman

University Scholars

Ita Adebayo
Judell Aguilos
Gloria Alvarado
Marc Ashford
Samantha Bell-Brown
Teja Bloom
Lauren Bradley
Michelle Brown
Catherine Bustos
Kyle Campbell
Nicholas Castro
Evan Charboneau
Brian Comella
Emily Cuttle
Jelani Darling

Bria Davis
Khamille De Lara
Diana DeAnda
Gina DeSimone
Will Doiron
Christina Duris
Elliott Englander
Jeremy Fong
Charles Franco
Adriene Galindo
Armando Gil-Barriga
Mia Rose Gilliam
Srishti Goel
Emilee Green
Stephanie Gutierrez
Adam Haile-Mariam
Nichelle Harrison
Jordan Harvey
Rachel Heiden
Kayla Iammarino
Terry Jackson
Markita Jenkins
Abigail Jenkins
Rodney Johnson
Kiyoshi Kaholokula
Daniela Lerma
Arielle Lopez
Laura Loyd
Briana Madden

Nicole Manzella
Jessica Martinez-
Munoz
Claudia Medrano
Sable Micor
Moise Moctezuma
Ashley Mora
Lindsay Murga
Matthew Ng
Fabi Ochoa
Eduardo Ornelas
Javier Padilla
Michael Pemberton
Kieran Pereira
Shannon Peterson
Rohan Prabhu
Angel Pulido
Jemiann Puno
Alexis Ramiro
Mariah Reed
Melanie Roberson
Erin Rodriguez
Montserrat Sanchez-
Garcia
Corie Schave
Omar Serrato
Zakariyah Shah
Jasmin Smith
Brittany Smith

Raymond St. John
Christian Stoinev
John Sud
Tishauna Thigpen
Lauren Thomas
Jakob Trancoso
Megan Trinh
Ian Tupas
Ellis Turner
Cristina Vallejo
Karishma Verma
Amanda Villafranco
Kayla Voss
Mackenzie Walker
Victoria Weston
Louise Yates
Warren Zanoria
Alexa Zurbano

Bowman Fellows

Louvina Davis
Nadia Fiaz
Melanie Garciano
Grace Han
Mariah Reed
Lauren Thomas
Brittany Wiggins
Jasmine Yu

Environmental Stewardship Award

The goal of this annual award is to recognize campus groups and departments that are helping to further the Green Team's mission. Research projects, ongoing environmental education programs, individual efforts, and innovative program implementation are just a few of the efforts that are acceptable for recognition.

David Kennell

David Kennell and his students in the Department of Technology received the Environmental Stewardship Award for their development and fabrication of energy monitoring devices. This innovative and practical application for student learning has direct impact on behavior in regard to energy usage and consumption. The students designed and built the monitors that have been used in campus offices to help raise awareness of how much energy is used by many of the systems and appliances across the institution. The students also wrote a grant application and made presentations to secure funding for the program. Kennell created a collaborative-learning space and laboratory for the students, including all the necessary components to fabricate the devices.

2012 Team Excellence Award recipients

First place

NCAA Certification Team

Honorable mention

iPeople Implementation Team

Good to Go Team

A/P and Civil Service Council Awards

A/P Council Distinguished Service Awards

Angela S. Davenport

DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE

Danielle Miller-Schuster

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Mark Vegter

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

A/P Council Emerging Leader Award

Kari Murphy

DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE

Civil Service Council Distinguished Service Awards

Ralph E. Lewis

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Nancy J. Kerns

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Barbara L. Cox

SCHOOL OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Civil Service Council Esprit de Corps Award

Jan Cook

EMERITA, APPLIED COMPUTER SCIENCE

Recognition of employees

Years of service

40 years

Sheila Hufeld Milner Library

30 years

Linda Foster Facilities Management

Candace Gustavson Office of Admissions

Janet Jones Facilities Management

Maureen Roach Career Center

Gay Semanko Speech and Hearing Clinic

25 years

Nancy Spangler Office of Human Resources

Vincent Allen Facilities Management

Richard Barnhill Facilities Management

Shawn Billo Center for Teaching, Learning, and Technology

Barry Blinderman University Galleries

Pamela Cooper Career Center

Robert Crawford Department of Agriculture

Lori Cumpston Office of the Comptroller

Judith Curtis Office of the Registrar

Stephen DeRosa Office of the Comptroller

James Evens Department of Technology

Sharon Foiles Department of History

Pamela Fuller Department of Economics

Arnold Hernandez Facilities Management

Roger Homan Facilities Management

Wendy Keller Dean of Students Office

Laura Kennedy WGLT

Robin Knapp Office of the Comptroller

Ricardo Lewis Dean of Students Office

Larry Lyons Athletics

David Malone Department of Agriculture

Reah Martin Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Kathleen McKinney Office of the Provost

Tonya Meins Dean of Students Office

Richard Meredith Facilities Management

Katherine Plantholt College of Applied Science and Technology

Dwayne Price Facilities Management

Alfonso Puente.....	Facilities Management
Ronda Queen.....	Development-Donor and Information Services
Tami Radka	Administrative Technologies
Richard Runner	Division of Vice President for Finance and Planning
Margaret Schmid	Facilities Management
Mark Schopp	Office of the Comptroller
Sheila Taylor.....	Office of Energy Management
Luann Van Meter	University Advancement
Steven Wolfe.....	Campus Dining Services
Daniel Zeller.....	Office of Parking and Transportation

20 years

Susan Adcock.....	Financial Aid Office
Cathy Bess	Department of Family and Consumer Sciences
Jeanne Boyle	Special Education Department
Leanne Fogle.....	Student Health Services
Walter Fox	Facilities Management
Sonny Garcia	Facilities Management
Tracy Hilliard	Special Olympics Illinois
Judi Khalilallah	Dean of Students Office
Fay Lee.....	Campus Dining Services
Robert Mangina.....	Facilities Management
Kevin McCrone	Student Affairs Information Technology
Vicky Morgan	Department of Curriculum and Instruction
John Munn	Athletics
Margaret Nelson	Office of Energy Management
Michael Priest	Telecommunications and Networking
Susan Reeser	University High School
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All graduates become automatic members of the association, working to strengthen the University's traditions, future growth, and networks of influence. Our alumni provide financial support to the University, strive to become members of our various donor societies, and ultimately are rewarded by knowing their financial contributions provide scholarships to our students. They mentor the next generation of leaders and advocate for their University from all parts of the globe. Theirs is a lasting legacy of service worth celebrating.

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Share your memories and celebrate the Alumni Association's 150th anniversary.

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University Hymn

Glory hast thou, might and power,

Proud the halls of ISU;

Deeds that live in song and story,

Loyal sons and daughters true.

So shalt thou in years increasing,

Send thy grads of honest worth;

Forth to bear with zeal unceasing,

Wisdom's torch throughout the earth.



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